approved rehabilitation schemes seeking additional concessions from the Government. It may be added that NTC is implementing a Voluntary Retirement Scheme to rationalise the surplus work force. Since the scheme is purely voluntary with additional financial benefits, no workers of NTC have been forced to leave.

The Turn Around Plan as indicated above could not be implemented till date due to non-approval by BIFR and also the reluctance of the State Government of Maharashtra in approving the sale of surplus lands of NTC mills located in Mumbai, from where more than 80% of the sale proceeds are estimated. The NTC has in the above background reviewed the unit-wise viability of NTC mills, keeping in view the concessions agreed to by the Government in 1995 and the concept of net worth becoming positive. The report of the NTC is under consideration of the Government.

Incomplete Irrigation Projects in the Country

3481. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the major and medium irrigation projects which were started during Third to Eight Five Year Plans in the Country and which are still incomplete with details of each of such irrigation projects, State in which located, estimated area of irrigation after completion and the Five Year Plan in which it was started;

(b) the total amount spent on these projects by the Central and State Governments;

(c) The reasons for non-completion of each of these projects; and

(d) the steps Government propose to take to complete these irrigation projects within a time frame?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) A Statement giving details of on-going major & medium irrigation projects in the various States is enclosed. (*See* below)

(b) The total amount spent on these project upto 3/95 is Rs. 32580.85 crores.

(c) The reasons for non-completion of these projects are paucity of funds, problems in land acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement of project oustees, delay in clearance of the project from forest and environment angle, inadequate investigation and changes in Scope of Project, Contractual Problems etc.

(d) Irrigation is a State subject and irrigation projects are planned, funded and implemented by the State Government from their own resources. The Central Assistance is released in the form of block loans and grants not tied to any sector of development of project. However, in order to provide Central Loan Assistance to the State Governments for early completion of irrigation projects, the Union Government has launched Rural Infrastructure Development Programme in 1995-96 and Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme in 1996-97.

Statement

Statement giving details of ongoing major & medium Irrigation projects in various States.

Sl. No.	Name of State	MAJOR			MEDIUM		
		No. of projects (Nos.)	Latest Estimated Cost (Rs. in crores)	Ultimate Irrigation Potential (Th. hectares)	No. of projects (Nos.)	Latest Estimated Cost (Rs. in crores)	Ultimate Irrigation Potential (Thousand hectares)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	13	8190.31	1052.19	18	463.57	140.41
2.	Assam	5	429.90	166.48	6	74.18	47.75
3.	Bihar	15	4144.63	1129.29	23	537.24	105.28
4.	Goa	1	347.72	46.06	1	40.00	11.20
5.	Gujarat	9	11308.79	2121.13	28	692.96	153.07
6.	Haryana	4	944.41	322.00	—	—	—
7.	Himachal Pradesh	1	143.32	26.54	1	3.10	2.46
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	1	144.15	67.88	8	92.19	34.04
9.	Karnataka	9	6112.61	1165.91	15	415.57	81.21
10.	Kerala	7	1189.77	343.34	5	194.60	64.43
11.	Madhya Pradesh	19	7834.17	2312.50	34	839.40	239.60
12.	Maharashtra	39	11554.79	2105.44	51	830.76	251.43
13.	Manipur	2	324.64	44.67	2	66.58	11.05
14.	Meghalaya	—	—	—	4	151.01	16.81
15.	Orissa	7	4813.10	1094.69	7	331.06	72.09
16.	Punjab	—	—	—	1	2.00	NA
17.	Rajasthan	6	4259.57	1209.59	5	155.75	36.14
18.	Tripura	—	—	—	3	105.59	25.52
19.	Uttar Pradesh	17	5876.94	4615.47	3	55.37	6.68
20.	West Bengal	1	980.00	533.52	21	94.44	48.91
21.	Tamil Nadu	—	—	—	3	54.63	6.49
	TOTAL:	156	68518.91	18356.70	239	5190.00	1354.77

NA = Not Available.